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MUCH DAMAGE SUSTAINED

**Hong Kong Shipping Al-
most All Demolished**

BY TERRIBLE TYPHOON

**Many Lives are Lost and Enormous
Damage is Done to Prop-
erty By Storm.**

WRECKAGE STREWS HARBOR

**Ocean Liners, Junks and Sampan Piled
on Shore in Mass of Debris—Impos-
sible to Estimate the
Damage.**

HONG KONG, Sept. 18.—A terrific storm broke suddenly here this afternoon, lasting two hours and destroying innumerable native craft and causing much loss of life. The harbor is literally strewn with wreckage and the streets of the city are blocked with debris.

An unknown steamer collided with the British steamer Strathmore, seriously damaging the latter. The British steamer Loong Sang collided with the British steamer Chip Sing with slight damage. The river boat Fatshan fouled the French mail boat Polynesian. The British steamer Montague, the German steamer Signal, the German steamer Emma Layken, the British steamer Changshan, the German steamer Sezia, the Kowloon, a ferryboat, and a waterboat were driven ashore. The American steamer Sorsogon and the German steamer Johanne are ashore. A Japanese steamer is stranded on Kelllett's Island. The British river gunboat Moorhen is leaking badly and one French torpedo boat destroyer is ashore and two others dragged their anchors the entire length of the harbor. The British steamer Empress of Japan was saved by the dock company's tugs keeping her steady. The steamer S. P. Hitchcock was driven high and dry ashore. The British river steamers Kwong Chow, San Cheung and Sun Lee foundered. The French steamer Charles Hardouin was damaged. The little Chinese steamer Wing Chai was beached. Numerous steam launches foundered and most of the wooden piers on the waterfront were demolished.

The military quarter was demolished and the men are quartered in the casements of the fort. A fleet of nineteen junks was washed ashore on Stone Cutters Island. A tramp vessel collided with a French torpedo boat destroyer, the Fronde, and it is said twenty Frenchmen perished. The French torpedo boat destroyer Franchise is ashore and the steamer Apedrade is badly stranded on Stone Cutter's Island and the British steamer Radnorshire is damaged.

R. D. BIBBER TURNS TURTLE.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Sept. 18.—The Clyde liner New York today brought into port the mate and three seamen of the American bark R. D. Bibber, lumber laden from Savannah to New York, wrecked off Frying Pan shoals. The vessel turned turtle and went to pieces. The men were found clinging to spars. The captain and others of the crew were not found. The Bibber's full crew was eleven.

EXCHANGE SIGNALS.

MIDWAY ISLAND, Sept. 18.—This evening a Japanese training cruiser anchored within two miles of the Mongolia. The two ships exchanged signals.

GETS HIS PRICE.

**Refuses Offer for Right of
Railroad Comes Through**

FREEWATER, Or., Sept. 18.—Representatives from the Walla Walla Traction company were in this city during last week securing additional right of way for the electric railway into this city. Sam Krismen, who owns a ten-acre tract within the city limits of Freewater, refused to sell the right of way through his property and Attorney Rader, for the traction company, advised President Anderson that condemnation proceedings for the right of way would amount to \$1,500 approximately, which was considered entirely too high. Mr. Krismen was asked his price for the entire ranch and \$4,000 was named, which offer was immediately accepted. The site is an admirable location for a terminus and the company will use part of the territory for this purpose.

FORTY-ONE DROWNED.

**Floods in Mexico Cause Great Loss of
Life and Property.**

EL PASO, Texas, Sept. 18.—A Herald dispatch from Guadalajara says the correspondent of the Jalisco Times at Mazatlan has wired his paper that forty-one persons were drowned in the recent floods in Santiago, Lixintla and the adjacent districts in the territory of Tepic. It is reported 500 people are homeless. Widespread damage resulted in the inundation of Sinaloa. Several river towns are partially destroyed and thousands of cattle are drowned and the crops ruined.

ALL AFTER ADAMS

**Both Idaho and Colorado Officers
Want Accused.**

EXCITING RIDE TO WALLACE

**Idaho Authorities Convey Adams to
Wallace by Relays of Teams—Den-
ver Officers Would Extradite
Adams.**

WALLACE, Ida., Sept. 18.—Sheriff Sutherland, Warden Whitney of the State penitentiary, and Detective Johnson arrived today with Steve Adams, one of the chief witnesses in the Steunenberg case. Adams was arraigned for the murder of a man named Tyler in the fall of 1904, to which he confessed at Boise, implicating Newton Glover, Jack Simpkins and one Mason. Adams' preliminary hearing is Thursday. Warrants have been issued for the other three and Glover was arrested today. The trip to Wallace from the penitentiary was sensational. The distance, 275 miles, was covered by relays of teams to avoid going out of the state, although the party was compelled to spend last night at Tekoa, Wash., because they were unable to find accommodations otherwise. Two Denver deputies are waiting here to take Adams to Colorado to answer a charge in connection with the murder of Lyte Gregory, providing the proper papers can be obtained.

R. J. TOBIN DIES.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 18.—R. J. Tobin, one of the founders of the Hibernia Bank, and its former president, died at 12:15 o'clock this morning, after a lingering illness. He formerly was a police commissioner and was one of the best-known citizens of San Francisco.

SEVENTEEN MUTINEERS SHOT.

HELSINGFORS, Sept. 18.—Seventeen Sveaborg mutineers were shot today. Eighty others were sentenced to various terms of imprisonment. Eleven were acquitted.

REJOICE IN HIS DEATH

**Esther Mitchell and Sister
Give Testimony.**

NOT AFRAID OF DEATH

**Two Holy Roller Women Justify
Killing of Brother Be-
fore Commission.**

SAY THEY ARE NOT INSANE

**Women Assert George Mitchell's Death
Was Just—Are Willing to Die if
Necessary—Hearing Comes to
End.**

SEATTLE, Sept. 18.—Early this afternoon the Mitchell-Creffield insanity commission heard the last testimony and in a few days will make their report to Judge Frater. The two women prisoners were the last to give their testimony, and while different from any they had previously given, was very much alike. They said they were glad they did the deed and would do the same thing again if circumstances presented themselves, and are not afraid to die and welcome death in any form. They are also said to have considered taking their own lives and will do so if called upon by God to take that step. In this connection they said they would kill anyone if God told them to do so.

They declared that Creffield said the night before his death that he would soon be taken away and after George Mitchell did the shooting they at once planned his death, if he should escape conviction.

The testimony was to the effect that Mrs. Creffield was first called to do the killing, but afterwards it devolved upon Esther. They denied the statements made by them at the time of the trial, regarding their motives for the act, and said they had planned before hand the statements which would hide their real motive, so as to protect their religion from the scoff of people. Esther stated that in making the statement she expected mob violence and desired to die in that manner. She stated that Creffield was to have been instrumental in bringing about the re-incarnation of Christ and inasmuch as this was his mission, Mitchell had committed a deed for which he must atone with his death. Esther said she wanted to see her brother punished for shooting Creffield and when she was told it was her duty, she was glad. It was not hard, for she was given strength. "I am not insane," she concluded, "and never have been."

FREIGHT THROUGH BRIDGE.

GUTHRIE, Okla., Sept. 18.—The northbound San Francisco freight went through a bridge on the South Canadian river, near Carleton, Okla., this morning. The engineer and fireman are dead and one brakeman is missing. Persons near the scene of the wreck report the corpse of a man to be seen on a small island near the broken bridge. The brakeman's body is reported to have been found two miles below the wreck.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE.

At Portland—Portland, 3; Fresno, 2.
At Seattle—Seattle, 13; San Francisco, 0.
At Oakland—Oakland, 5; Los Angeles, 0.

ROAD PURCHASED.

**Western Pacific Will Enter Reno via
Virginia and Truckee.**

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 18.—The announcement is made that the Western Pacific has acquired control of the Virginia & Truckee Railroad and will build into Reno. The transfer of the property to the Goulds has not, it is said, been made formally, and it will not be turned over until the Western Pacific has been completed. Reno is the trade center of Nevada and the mining country and its freight and passenger traffic is worth thousands of dollars. For a time the Western Pacific contemplated entering Reno by way of the Boca and Loyaltos road running through a tunnel near Verdi and paralleling the tracks of the Southern Pacific for several miles. This route was abandoned because of the grades and negotiations for the purchase of the Virginia & Truckee were begun.

MILLIONAIRES SEE PLAY.

DENVER, Sept. 18.—Digby Bell in "The Education of Mr. Pipp," opened his western tour before a large and fashionable audience at the Broadway theater in this city last night. The event was also the opening of the Winter season at the theater. The story of the play hinges on the career of a Pittsburgh millionaire, and in the audience there were many millionaires to witness the education of their prototype.

Among those in this class who witnessed the play were Baron Monchur, who was the guest of Thomas F. Walsh; H. W. Bennett, John Searn, Thomas F. Daly, Lawrence C. Phipps and Crawford Hill.

WILL CROSS OREGON

**Hill and Harriman Interests in
Eastern Oregon.**

RACE OF RAILROADS BEGAN

**Southern Pacific Buys California and
Northwestern—Hill Coming From
Butte to Frisco Through Cen-
tral Oregon Country.**

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 18.—The second move in the great war of two railroads has been made. The Hill interests have gathered their forces and are contending with might and main to wrest from Harriman the control of the rich districts of Central Oregon. The purchase of the California Northeastern by the Southern Pacific was the first move in the game and was designed to forestall the plan of the Hill interests who had announced the intention of building a road from Butte, Mont., to Boise, Idaho, down through Central Oregon and finally ending at San Francisco.

News has now been received here that the Hill interests are not asleep. The officials of the San Francisco, Idaho & Montana road have announced large contracts for bridge work and structural steel and say that the whole route has been surveyed and cross sectioned and that actual construction work will begin in a few days.

FINED THE LIMIT.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 18.—W. Lee, alias Casey, alias Wright, who was recently arrested for selling scalps for bounty to the county officials, pleaded guilty to two counts yesterday and was fined \$100, the limit. Lee also returned \$323.50, which he collected in bounties.

Lee is believed to be the leader of a gang which has been working throughout the State of Washington, and which has been making much money collecting bounties on scalps of wildcats and coyotes which have been purchased elsewhere. He was arrested as he left the courtroom at the request of Sheriff Canley of Thurston county, who wants the man on a similar charge. He was taken to Olympia last night.

TRAIN RUNS INTO RIVER

**Express Plunges Through
Weak Bridge.**

SEVERAL LIVES LOST

**Ten Injured Removed from Wreck
Only One Person Known
Dead Positively.**

SEARCHERS HARD AT WORK

**Latest Reports from Wreck Are More
Encouraging and Only One Life is
Known to be Positively
Lost.**

The latest news from the Rock Island wreck near Dover, Okla., is more encouraging. It is now stated the only passengers were in the smoking car, where so many fatalities are said to have occurred. Of these all but three are said to have been accounted for. So far no bodies are recovered and only one person is positively known to have lost his life. With one exception the wounded, of whom there were about twelve, do not appear seriously hurt.

KINGFISHER, Okla., Sept. 18.—While it is believed several lives were lost today when several cars of the Rock Island train, north-bound, went into Cimmaron river at Dover, because of the collapse of a bridge, none of the bodies have been recovered and the only person on the train positively known to have perished is Hank Littlefield, a circus employee, who was drowned. Ten injured are here, one of whom fatally. The engine, tender, baggage and mail cars, smoker and day coach left the bridge and plunged into the current flanked by treacherous quick sands. The locomotive disappeared from sight almost immediately. The mail and baggage clerks escaped from the coaches and swam ashore. The accident was due to the defective condition of the bridge, which was out of line owing to the pressure of driftwood.

The train was an hour late and was running at high speed. The engine driver did not see the condition of the bridge until within a few yards when too late to stop. He shouted to the fireman, threw on the brakes and jumped. He landed on the very verge of the river bank and escaped unhurt. The fireman was less fortunate, and sustained severe injuries. When the engine struck the bridge, the whole structure collapsed, precipitating the engine and coaches into the river. The chair car and sleepers remained on the track. The scene was one of indescribable confusion. The shrieks of those imprisoned in the partly submerged cars were added to those on the bank. The current whirled the day coach down stream and lodged it against a sand bank.

The occupants were helped through doors and windows. The smoker floated down stream all submerged but the top. It struck a bar in the middle of the river and four men were seen to clamber through the windows and pull themselves on to the car. They called loudly for help, but those on shore were unable to reach them on account of the high waters. While they were begging for assistance, a mass of driftwood swept down stream and carried away their fragile footing. Three jumped before it struck the car and struck out for shore. They pulled out a quarter of a mile below, almost exhausted. The number in the smoker is not positively known, though it is claimed all but two

of them have been accounted for. Men on bits of driftwood have been seen going down stream at various points, but attempts to rescue them in most cases proved futile. The searchers continued the work after nightfall with torches and lanterns.

OFFICERS FIRED ON.

**Cuban Rebels Shoot at Party of Amer-
ican Naval Officers.**

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—A special cable dispatch to the World states that some subordinate officers of the United States cruiser Denver were fired on by rebels as they were riding in the country in an automobile Sunday night. Nobody was hit and when the rebels discovered their mistake they were profuse in their apologies. They explained that they were expecting some Cuban government officers to pass that section and that they sent a volley after the first automobile that came along which happened to be the car occupied by the American officers. A little later the party was again fired on with the same result—nobody hit, explanation and apologies.

When Captain Colwell heard of the incident he issued an order forbidding shore leave for the present.

WITHDRAW FROM COAST.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 18.—The Rochester-German Insurance company of Rochester, N. Y., is about to withdraw from the coast. Notice to that effect has been sent far and wide to all coast agents by H. F. Atwood, the company's secretary, who is out here at the present time.

REBELS OVERAWED

**American Marines at Cienfuegos
Prevent Any Trouble.**

GEN. FUNSTON MAY COMMAND

**In Event That United States Dispatches
Troops to Cuba, General Funston
Will Probably Be Assigned to
Command.**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—The State department today received a dispatch from Sleeper at Havana, but in view of the prospective arrival of Secretary Taft the contents were not disclosed. It is believed to have dealt with the attitude of the Cuban government and insurgents toward American officials. Commander Fullam of the gunboat Marietta cabled the navy department that the landing force seems to have overawed the insurgent force at Cienfuegos, and there is no present fear of the further destruction of property. Information was received today of the destruction of the Esperanza sugar estate near Cienfuegos by the insurgents. There is some question over the authenticity of this information, it being believed it is the same plantation mentioned in yesterday's dispatches. While orders have not been issued for the dispatch of troops to Cuba, the army was never in better shape for quick movement. General Funston, who is now on his way to Washington, will probably be assigned to command them if intervention is necessary.

TEN HORSES BURNED.

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 18.—A match tossed into a patch of dry grass this afternoon caused a fire that destroyed a large livery barn and damaged four lodging houses. Ten horses were destroyed and Lon Meyers, a cowboy, who had just put up his horse at the stable, severely burned himself trying to rescue his animal. Spectators claim to have seen a stablehand disappear into the building just before it collapsed, but the report cannot be confirmed. The loss is several thousand dollars.